## Your Retirement Savings Benefit











## Introduction



### **Iowa Retirement Investors' Club (RIC)**

Your employer and supporting associations take your retirement readiness seriously. They have partnered with the Retirement Investors' Club to provide a supplemental retirement savings plan that helps you now AND in the future!



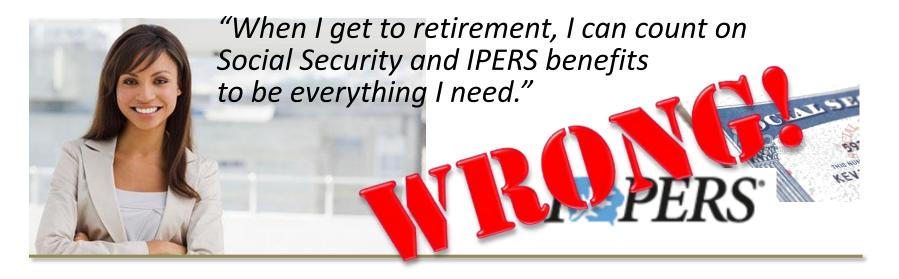




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Your *need* for income in retirement is *inevitable*.

Your ability to retire depends on what you do now-**not** when you get there.



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Americans age 65 live an average of 20 years in retirement. It's like the longest vacation of your life.



Vacations take planning and MONEY!

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- Tax benefits
- Quality investments
- Time is money





### Think about it...

Supplemental retirement savings plans are



One part of your future you CAN control!

### Future uncertainties you CAN'T control:

- Social Security income replacement
- Pension income replacement
- Taxes
- Inflation
- Healthcare costs
- Health
- Employment
- Death

Consider the variables over time...

## **Social Security funding**

How many working people support each retiree?

1945 - 42 workers for each SS recipient



1993 - 3



2030 - 2



#### **IPERS Benefit**



Is full pension income guaranteed under IPERS?

- Full IPERS benefits of 60% income replacement requires 30 years of employment with an IPERS-covered employer
- Future IPERS contributions and calculations may change
- Average IPERS-covered employee retires at 44% IPERS benefit

Ask yourself - If you make \$45,000, could you live with a pension income of \$19,800 for the rest of your life?

### **Inflation**



**Cost of health Insurance example** 

	1993	1999	2015
Single	\$171.44	\$257.37	\$823.84
Family	\$450.54	\$596.04	\$1,928.68

Rates quoted are for State retirees under age 65 covered by Plan 3 Plus from Wellmark.

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You CAN control how you prepare to handle these things!

Your employer-sponsored supplemental retirement savings benefit gives you the opportunity to personally and positively affect your options at retirement.

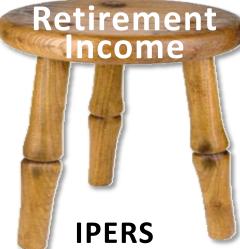
Personal savings is a critical part of your retirement income.

There are 3 main sources of income in retirement.

### Sources of income in retirement

**Social Security** 

What if SS is no longer able to fund at the intended 40% income replacement?



**Personal Savings** 

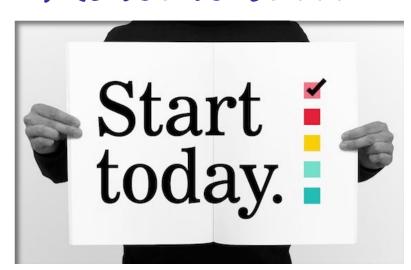
You control this income source now and in the future. Planning and saving over the years will determine your benefit.

What if you don't reach full benefit status?

No COLA!

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## **Tax Benefits**



**Tax advantages** differ depending on the taxation of deductions.

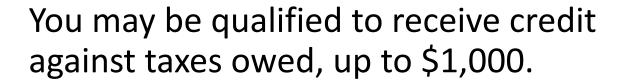
	Pretax	Post-tax Roth (if available)
Tax treatment of deductions	No withholding	Regular income tax withholding
Tax benefit in year saved	Immediate- lower taxable income	None
Tax treatment of earnings	Tax-deferred until withdrawn as cash	Tax-free for qualified distributions
Consideration	Possibility of lower tax rate in retirement	Possibility of higher tax rate in retirement

### **Tax Benefits**

#### **Savers Tax Credit**

You may be saying "I can't afford to save!"

Consider the *Savers Tax Credit* designed to help lower income earners save for their own retirement.



Find out more on the <u>RIC website</u> under Program Basics, then Tax Benefits.



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# **Quality investments**

### **Excellent opportunity to invest**

Retail investments are often costly and restrictive.

 Investing some of your hard-earned money in RIC gives you access to attractive, low-cost investment options.



- RIC offers fixed rate accounts with no fees and mutual fund options without sales loads or surrender penalties.
- There are very few opportunities to invest in low-cost investments without having to invest a large sum.

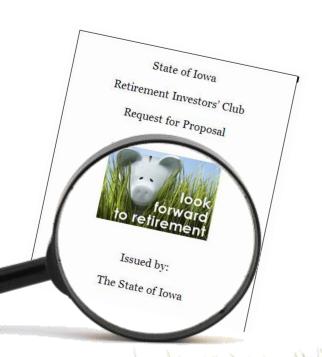
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### **Core Provider Selection process**

A public competitive bid\* determines which providers will offer investment products and services.

#### Required minimum standards:

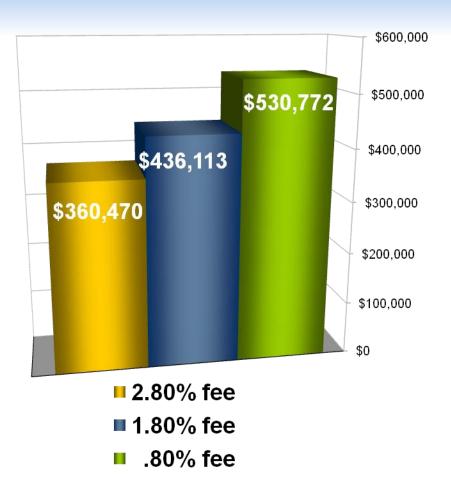
- Diversified, competitive funds
- Restriction and penalty-free investments
- Flexible distribution options
- 24/7 internet/phone account access
- Investment planning tools
- And more at low cost



# **Quality investments**

RIC core provider investment options have no sales loads, annual contract or surrender fees. Core provider fund management fees are much lower than most retail investments.

Fees can significantly affect the growth of your money over time.



Assumes a bi-monthly contribution of \$208.33 over 30 years with an 8% return

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Beth age 21

begins to contribute \$3,000/yr



Beth age 36

stops saving (total contributions \$45,000 over 15 years)

Average 8% earnings rate

Beth's savings at age 65

\$885,241



\$367,038

Stuart's retirement savings at age 65



Stuart age 36

begins to contribute \$3,000/yr Stuart age 65

stops saving (total of \$87,000 over 29 years)

Even waiting 1 year to save can hurt you.

Starting age	Savings amount	Results at age 65
35	\$1,000 per year	\$122,356
36	\$1,000 per year	\$112,283
Cost of waiting 1 year =		\$10,073

Saving early is saving smarter!

Assumes average 8% earnings rate



Which retirement door will your savings unlock when you get there?



Providers are available to answer questions and set appointments to help you get your RIC accounts open now.

Establish your new RIC accounts as soon as possible to begin taking advantage of the many great benefits.

Horace Mann	877-602-1861
MassMutual	800-528-9009
VALIC	800-448-2542
VOVA FINANCIAL™	800-555-1970

### Resources

### For more information

 Visit the RIC website <u>https://das.iowa.gov/RIC</u>



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